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THE FOLLOWING IS THE PETITION OF THE PROTESTANTS OF IRELAND
IN FAVOUR OF CATHOLIC EMANCIPATION, TO BOTH HOUSES OF
PARLIAMENT.

WE the Subscribers, hereunto, do most humbly petition your Honorable house in favour of our brethren and fellow subjects, the persons professing the Roman Catholic religion.

They apply to Parliament to be admitted to the privileges and franchises of the constitution.

We, their Protestant brethren, do consider such application to be just. We do most heartily join the Catholics in this their loyal and reasonable request; and convinced of its policy as well as its justice, we do most zealously implore your Honourable house to comply with the prayer of said petition, and to relieve the persons professing the Roman Catholic religion from all civil and political disabilities.

SIGNATURES OBTAINED IN BELFAST.

Nathaniel Cairns	David Bigger	John Thompson
George Crawford	J. Martin	Adam M'Clean
Thomas How	Samuel Kirkpatrick	Joseph Stevenson
Thomas S. Robinson	William Thompson	John Ward
James Forsythe, M.D.	Thomas Vance	Thomas Ward
Robert Bradshaw	Thomas John Andrews	Francis M'Cracken
Cunningham Greg	John M'Adam	Henry Joy
Robert Bailie	William Sproull	Will Stevenson
Robert Davis	Stewart Dunn	Robert Cunningham
Robert Callwell	William Murphy	John M'Cracken
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William Simms	John Galt Smith	Robert Boyd Holmes
William Boyd	William Mulrea	George Langtry
Samuel M'CLean	Thomas Cunningham	John Haslett
John Macartney	John Campbell	William Radcliff
Allen Barklie	Robert Trail	Samuel Rankin
William Park	John Hunter	William M'Clure
George Ash	William M'CLean	Robert Delap
James Orr	John Marshall	John M'Connell
Robert Getty	Thomas Corbutt	Robert Luke
George Black	Robert James Tennent	Robert M'Kibbin
James M'Cleery	William Ware	John Knox
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Arthur Crawford	George Forcade	George M'Adam
Andrew M'CLean	James Blow	Thomas O'Neill
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R. Montgomery	Robert Rowan	William Neilson
John Patterson	Daniel Blow	H. F. Grimshaw
Samuel Brown	Robert Black	Cunningham Boyle
Robert Gamble	Robert Carson	John Sinclair
Robert Steel	Samuel Little	James Ramsey
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Robert Grimshaw	John Vance	Charles Kennedy
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Robert Burns
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William Newsam
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William Cochran
John Riddell
John Gordon
Michael Andrews
Robert Reid
John Grogan
James Alexander M'Crea
James Hamnuill
John Boyle
William Nicholl
Hugh M'Colough
Samuel Miller
Robert Telfair
William Dignan
William Douglass
Robert Patterson
Samuel Gibson
Robert Briggs
David Simms
Thomas Richardson
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William Ritchie
John Bell
Hugh M'Kibbin
William Tucker
James Dunlop
Hugh Wilson
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Robert Grogan
Hugh Johnson
Victor Coates
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Joseph Frazer
James Grimshaw
William Dawson
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Christopher Strong
Isaac Patton
George Sloan
Robert M'Cluney
Samuel Arrott
Alexander Barr
Samuel Archer
Lewis Reford
William Hunter
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James Blair
James Stewart
James T. Kennedy
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Robt. Acheson, A.M. Dissent.
A. Mackay
Alexander Park
William Telfair

Mathew Black
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John M'Alister
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Thomas M'Cabe
John Gray
Alexander Blackwell
William Davidson
John Rea
Wm. Brown, Dissenting Mins.
William Mattear
George J. M'Intyre
Robert Linn, jun.
Francis Lepper
Thomas Carson
John Seffern
John Lyle
John Simpson
Andrew M'Cord
John Shaw
John Dunville
Michael Lynn
Samuel M'Crum
Murray Sufferin
John Carley
James Storey
Thomas Grimshaw
Daniel English
James M'Master
Wm. Owens, Holeston
James Ferguson, Tildarg
Francis Huddleston
Nathan Fulton
[Minst. Robert English
William Maxwell
John Whittle
Robert M'Adam
Samuel Tennent.

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John Hancock
Richard Fulton
Robert Fulton
John Kennedy
James Ward
William Thompson
Joseph Fulton
Christopher Meade
Jacob Hancock
Alex. Williamson, Lambeg.
William Hancock
George Morewood
John M. Stoupe, Glenville
James Kelsey, near Belfast
Nat. Magee, New-Bridge
John Charley, Belfast
William Agnew
John Wolfenden [Lambeg
Robert Williamson, J. P. William Wightman

George Whitla
Henry Bell
A. M'Colloch, Bangor
Alex. Hunter,
Robt. A. Johnston
John Shaw, jun. Belfast
John Boyd
John Smith
James Black, Drumbo
Andrew Fulton
Wm. Hawkshaw, J. P. and George Macferran, Lambeg
J. Q. for Antrim, Down, and Armagh Counties
Samuel Musgrave
H. Garrett, Maragall
John M'Coull, Drumbo
Robert Hancock
James Wightman

Francis Thompson
Richard B. Petan
William Gray
William John Hancock
John Rogers
Alexander Crawford, M.D.
Thomas Crawford
Rev. James Morewood, Protestant Minister of Lambeg
Thomas Wolfenden, Lambeg
Joseph Wilson, Lambeg
James Wallace
John M'Clure
Walter M'Coull
Samuel Kennedy
James Ballentine

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Walter Coulson	John Barbour, Plantation	James Spence
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John Johnston, Dunmurry	Minister	Jacob Bell, Trumery
William Hunter, Dunmurry	Richard Greer, jun.	Thomas Newburn.
William McCall Derriagh	George Dunn	

PUBLIC OCCURRENCES.

ESTABLISHMENT OF A BOTANIC GARDEN
AT HULL.

It will gratify the lovers of botany to learn that the projected establishment of a Botanic Garden at Hull, has been successfully carried into execution. A general meeting of the subscribers took place on the 7th of February, to receive the report of the provisional committee, and to form laws for the regulation of the institution. From the former it appears, that five acres of land, a mile distant from the town, have been purchased for £.1100, and laid out in a garden, comprising ample space for one specimen of every tree, shrub, and plant, now in the kingdom; a pond thirty yards long, for aquatics; quarters for bog and alpine plants; and ground for hot and green-houses, which will be forthwith erected; the garden will be intersected by spacious gravel walks, forming a total extent of nearly three quarters of a mile. Two neat lodges, one appropriated to the general use of the subscribers, the other to a house for the Curator, have been built; Mr. Donn, nephew to the respectable director of the Cambridge Garden, has been engaged as Curator; and through his exertions and the important advice and assistance of William Roscoe, esq. and of Mr. Shepherd, of the Botanic Garden, at Liverpool, such progress has been made in completing the design, that it is expected the garden will be opened to the subscribers in May next. The report concluded by expressing the hope of the committee, that the friends of the institution would use their exertions towards procuring for the garden the roots and seeds of rare plants, particularly of the British species, and donations of books and dried plants for its library and herbarium.

EDINBURGH INSTITUTE.

In hours of relaxation from business, men will have amusement. The efforts of moralists have therefore, properly been directed to persuade them to adept those, which are not only innocent in themselves, but ultimately lead to mental and moral improvement. Sentiments, somewhat simi-

lar to these, have lately been diffused, with uncommon rapidity, among the thinking part of the people of Scotland; and various societies have arisen for the purpose of promoting the dissemination of knowledge. Views, something analogous to them, must have actuated a few individuals in Edinburgh; for they in September 1810, formed a society, to which they gave the name of "the Edinburgh Institute." The principal object this institution has in view, is, to have lectures delivered in a popular manner, on scientific and literary subjects, at a moderate expense, (so moderate as to make it accessible to all who have the least taste for such studies*) and at convenient hours to those whose professional avocations prevent them from attending academical prelections. It is also intended that a meeting shall be held monthly, for reading original papers, on scientific, philosophical, or literary subjects. The members, however, being mostly engaged in the active bustle of commercial pursuit these papers have not hitherto been numerous. The management of this institution is vested in a council of twenty, elected annually from among the members. The Rev. William Tennant, I.L.D. M.A.S. is the present president. The arrangement for the second session, which commenced on the first of October 1811, and will terminate in May 1812, are lectures on natural philosophy, meteorology, electricity, and galvanism, philosophy of history, and oratory. There is reason to suppose that the professors of the Edinburgh university look upon this institution in a favourable manner, already has one of them†, with the munificent liberality of a great mind, given the most substantial proofs of his approbation. The founders of the institution have several ulterior projects in view, such as the purchase of a complete set of philosophical apparatus, the formation of a museum, &c. but the execution of these plans must eventually depend upon the support which the citizens of Edinburgh are dispo-

* One guinea annually.

† Professor Christison.